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VIA TELEFAX

Honorable Catherine C. Blake
United States District Judge
United State District Court
For the District of Maryland
101 West Lombard Street, Room 110
Baltimore, MD 21201

Re: **National Mortgage Warehouse, LLC v. Bankers First
Mortgage Co., Inc., et al.**
Case Number: CCB 00-CV-2881

Dear Judge Blake:

As you may remember this office represents Sovereign Bank in connection with the above-captioned matter. It has come to my attention today through a conversation with Mr. Ohly, that Mr. Trikeriotis filed a Motion for Contempt against both National Mortgage Warehouse and my client, Sovereign Bank. However, Mr. Trikeriotis mistakenly believed that Mr. Ohly represented both National Mortgage Warehouse and Sovereign Bank. As a result, I was not provided a copy of the Motion which I understand was filed on April 9, 2004. Mr. Ohly is forwarding me a set of the documentation shortly.

I am writing to advise Your Honor of this matter, and to ask for an extension or until May 10, 2004 to respond to this Motion appropriately. I hope Your Honor will accept this informal request in lieu of a motion given the circumstances.

Respectfully,

Jason M. Reiser

JMR/mml

cc: D. Christopher Ohly, Esquire
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